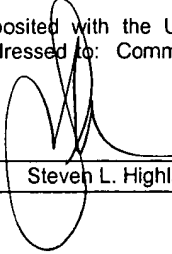


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We, the undersigned, do declare that:

1. We are the named inventors of the above-captioned application.
2. We are the authors of Konopleva *et al.*, *Blood* 96(11) Part 1, pp.121a, 2000. Also listed as authors on that abstract were Irina Stiouf, Zeev Estrov, Twee Tsao, David Harris, Mark Munsell, Clinton Leysath, Shourong Zhao, Ellen C. Jackson, and Shi-rong Chang.

3. The contributions for each of these individuals is set forth below:

Irina Stiouf was a post-doctoral fellow who developed several flow cytometry assays utilized in this study by the inventors.

Zeev Estrov was a co-director of the tissue culture core in the AML-PO1 grant who directed clonogenic assays upon request of the inventors.

Twee Tsao was a technical assistant (Senior Research Assistant in Dr. Andreeff's laboratory) who performed protein analysis as directed by the inventors.

David Harris was a technical assistant (Research Assistant in Dr. Estrov's laboratory) who performed clonogenic assays as directed by the inventors.

Mark Munsell provided statistical analysis for publication.

Clinton Leysath was a technical assistant (Research Assistant in Dr. Andreeff's laboratory) who conducted tissue culture and flow cytometry experiments under supervision of the inventors.

Shourong Zhao was an instructor who provided expertise in Western blot analysis and PCR.

Ellen C. Jackson was a Research Nurse who provided clinical information about AML samples were used.


Shi-rong Chang was a technical assistant (Research Assistant in Dr. Andreeff's laboratory) who validated conditions for Western blot analysis of several proteins utilized by the inventors in the current study.

4. Thus, these individuals did not contribute conceptually to the subject matter of the above-captioned application, and thus were properly not listed as inventors thereon.

5. We hereby declare that all statements made herein of our knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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